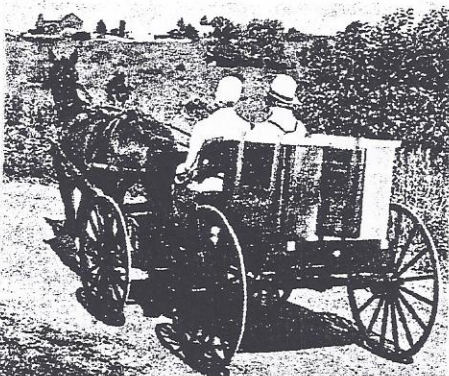


## RANDOLPH COUNTY GENEALOGICAL NEWSLETTER

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Summer is winding down here in Southern Illinois, and we are ready for the change to cooler weather, after the 100 plus degree heat we've had the past two months. It's been a busy summer but a profitable one for us at RCGS. We've gotten five or six new members, and book sales have been good. June has been kept busy making books.

The library and office are in pretty good order, and we are enjoying our clean air conditioned building which is all on one floor. We hope to have 'Open House' the 29<sup>th</sup> of August from 2 to 4 p.m. Members bring cookies for refreshments. A large sign has been ordered for the front of the building from Main Street Signs of Perryville, Missouri. We hope to have the sign up before the Open House.

Volunteers are working to condense the material from other societies to make more shelf space for what we have. Midge is researching and typing material for the September Quarterly. June is doing research for a family, who wants the information compiled in book form for members of their family. Virginia is abstracting and researching material for a publication on early settlers of Randolph County.

We've had some complaints about our web site not being up to date, especially the new address. RCGS 13 Westwood Dr. Steeleville, IL. 62288. Another problem, which June wrote about in the last newsletter, is members not sending in a change of address when they move or file a temporary change for summer etc. All mail returned as undeliverable costs us first class postage as 'postage due'. This is due to the endorsement required by the postal service, 'Return Postage Guaranteed.' on all bulk rate mailings. So please send in any change, even if temporary.

We have bought fifteen tickets from Perry Co. Mo. Historical Society for a quilt raffle. It was decided to send the \$5. from RCGS and fill out the fifteen tickets with our name on all of them. This is one of their major fundraisers.

Reservations have been made at Farmhouse Restaurant for the December 14, Christmas meeting. The restaurant asked if we wanted buffet

or order from menu. Those present decided on buffet.

Calendars were filled out as to refreshments for the months of Sept. -- October and November. The month of September will be sandwiches and vegetable tray--October will be donuts and cider and November will be pie and coffee or drink of your choice. If any of you are in the area we'll be happy to have you. Local members---September meeting, 14, 6:30 p.m.

Our thoughts and prayers go out to our sick members, Robert Craig, Dale Fulton, Marion Frazer and Don Wiley. We sure miss you at the meetings.

**FOR GENEALOGISTS ONLY:**

If your family coat of arms ties at the back---that's not normal!

There is strength in our roots--'we' are the fertilizer for our family tree...

Share your knowledge, it's a way to achieve immortality!

When you search for ancestors--you may find friends....

Virginia Mansker

(For June James who is on vacation.)